

## House Resolution No. 57

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

**Whereas**, Ruby Rodgers, a resident of Doniphan, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of her Ninetieth Birthday with a special celebration on December 13, 2003, at Patsy's Journeyman Restaurant in Doniphan; and

**Whereas**, on December 21, 1913, in Light, Arkansas, God brought a special gift to John and Dora (Norris) Stone with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Ruby, who would put a twinkle in their eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

**Whereas**, Ruby Rodgers made her formal debut in 1913 along with such notable people as film actor and producer Burt Lancaster, United States mail-order house and retail department-store owner Aaron Montgomery Ward, and jazz bandleader, clarinetist, and alto saxophonist Woodrow Charles "Woody" Herman; and

**Whereas**, while celebrating her birthday, Ruby Rodgers had the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as her early years of education, her marriage to Roy E. Rodgers (deceased), and the births of their offspring; and

**Whereas**, Ruby Rodgers has been blessed with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include three sons, Jimmie Rodgers, Douglas Rodgers, and Richard Rodgers, all of whom are angels in heaven; one daughter, Joyce (Rodgers) Keith; eleven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and three step-great-grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, at the respectful age of 90, Ruby Rodgers is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Ruby Rodgers at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Ruby Rodgers, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Mike Dethrow  
District No. 153

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 57, adopted January 14, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker